

### IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please substitute the following paragraphs in the specification:

Page 2, lines 3-6.

U.S. Pat. No. ~~548,721~~ 5,408,721 shows an automatic dustpan apparatus for use with a central vacuum system whereby debris on the floor may be swept into the vicinity of the automatic dustpan and directed into the central vacuum cleaning system. A valve within the dustpan closes when the dustpan is not in use.

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FIG. 6 is a cross-sectional view of the modified version of the dustpan of the present invention taken along line ~~A-A~~ 6-6 of FIG. 5.

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As best seen in FIG. 2, the housing has a lower chamber 34 which contains a vacuum motor 36 which communicates with a collector chamber 38 to induce a vacuum in the chamber across a filter 44. The inlet communicates with the collector chamber via conduit 40 which discharges outlet 42 into the collector chamber. A hose inlet ~~[[44]]~~ 47 may be provided extending at wall 18 which has a cap 45 which may be removed if the user wishes to connect an attachment or accessory such as a vacuum head having a flexible hose to the device.

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Referring to FIGS. 5 and 6, a modified version or embodiment is shown and designated by the numeral 100. The dustpan has a housing 116 with a generally vertical rear wall 124 and a downwardly forwardly sloping front wall 122, opposite sidewalls 120 and a floor 125. An inlet opening 112 is defined between the lower edge of front wall ~~[[116]]~~ 116A and the front edge of the floor 125. The floor 125 is tapered at 126 to assist in directing dust and debris into the inlet 112 from which it is advanced through conduit 140 under the influence of a vacuum induced in the collection chamber 138 by vacuum motor 136. A flapper 145 opens when the motor is activated and closes to prevent debris from escaping from chamber 138. The motor 136 is located in the rear of the housing 116 below the collection chamber 138. A switch 114 is conveniently located on the upper part of the housing wall 116.